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Re: Inventor: Dennis P. Donnelly, et al
Serial No. 09/822,544
Filing Date: March 30, 2001
For: System and Method for Transferring Credits as an Incentive for Prompt
Payment
Our File No. 456703-1

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application are the following papers:

1. Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application – Filing Date Granted;
2. Letter Accompanying Notice To File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application;
3. Copy of original specification as filed and attached executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for Utility Patent Application;
4. Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84;
5. Our firm check in the amount of \$260.00 payable to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents in payment of the surcharge for small entity status and two-month extension fee; and

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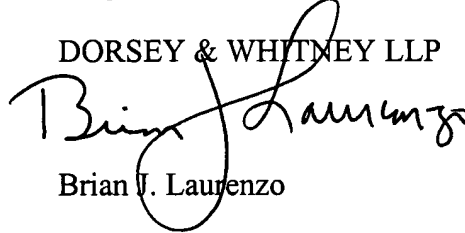
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Respectfully submitted,

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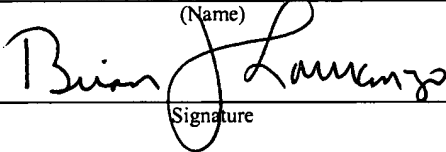
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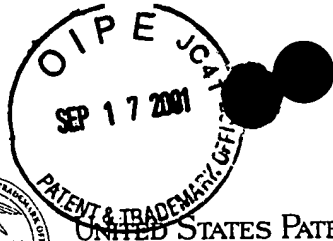
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);
 - Drawings must be reasonably free from erasures and must be free from alterations, overwritings, interlineations, folds, and copy marks.

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In re Application of:

DENNIS P. DONNELLY, et al

Serial No. 09/822,544

Filed: March 30, 2001

Invention: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR
TRANSFERRING CREDITS AS AN
INCENTIVE FOR PROMPT PAYMENT

Group Art Unit: 2161

Examiner:

LETTER ACCOMPANYING NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NON-PROVISIONAL APPLICATIONHonorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is an Amendment for filing as of this date; kindly also make of record the following fee calculations for amended claims:

INDEPENDENT CLAIM FEE:

- () ZERO This case contains no more than three total active independent claims. No fee is needed.
() ZERO The total number of independent claims does not exceed the total number previously paid for in this case. No fee is required.
() \$ ____ The total number of independent claims has been increased by _____. A fee of \$40 (\$80) for each of the claims in excess of three is included.

TOTAL NUMBER OF CLAIMS FEE:

- () ZERO The total number of claims in this case does not exceed a total of 20 claims. No fee is needed.
() ZERO The total number of claims paid for is not increased. No fee is needed.
() \$ ____ The total number of claims paid for exceed 20 and the number of claims has been increased. (The fee is calculated as \$9 (\$18) for each excess claim.)
Total number present now: _____
Previous maximum paid for: _____
Excess number of claims: _____

MULTIPLE DEPENDENCY PENALTY FEE:

- () ZERO No multiple dependent claim is present in this case or a multiple dependence claim has been paid for previously. No fee is required.
() \$ ____ A multiple dependent claim is now first presented in this case. A fee of \$135 (\$270) is required as a multiple claim penalty fee.

EXTENSION OF TIME PETITION:

- () ZERO This paper is filed within the shortened statutory period for response. No fee is required.
(X) \$195.00 Applicant hereby petitions for an extension from the date of the Examiner's Action as follows:
() Extension for response within first month \$55 (\$110)
(X) Extension for response within second month \$195 (\$390)
() Extension for response within third month \$445 (\$890)
() Extension for response within fourth month \$695 (\$1,390)

- (X) \$260.00 Our check in the amount set forth is enclosed in payment of the surcharge for small entity and two-month extension fee.

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